



Red River Valley Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes



02/22/2020

Opening:

1. The regular meeting of the Red River Valley Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 10:10AM on February 22, 2020 at the Paris City Courtroom, by club President Steven Davoust (N5KCH).
2. Present were 17 total, including one new member: Kathy Beall (W5WON), Phillip Beall (W5EBC), Danial Beard (KB7JZI), Kelly Collins (W5KJC), Steven Davoust (N5KCH), Kristy Hancock (KG5SIM), Darrell Hancock (KG5PIN), Jesse Hembree (KI5BNE), Jerry Keisler (WA5KZA), Rick Leonhardt (KF5KXS), T. Wayne Moore (KC5KOH), Charles Penry (WA5VHU), Mike Rice (WB5KWK), Vicki Ross (KG5YWO), Ronnie Rumsey (KA5LEK) and Mel Toye (K5KEY) and new member Larry LaMaack (N7HCR).

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1. Pledge of Allegiance was led by T. Wayne Moore.
2. Opening Prayer was led by Kelly Collins.
3. Steven Davoust called for recognition of any guests, none were in attendance but new member Larry LaMaack was introduced.
4. President's Remarks (if any) – Steven Davoust gave some prepared remarks:
 - a. Sandi Boyd – Lonnie Boyd fell and hit his head last year. He has some lingering health issues and so that, combined with all of her other obligations, has lead Sandi to consider not completing her term as club Treasurer. She has agreed to hold off on actually resigning until we work on recruiting her replacement. Please join the officers in thanking Sandi for her time and we will follow up with you next meeting.
 - b. At a couple of recent meetings NCTC has come up. The officers have spent many, many hours, getting the matter resolved. Bottom line – There was some miscommunication and misunderstanding. We have taken steps to remedy the matter. All of the officers are in agreement on this matter and we consider it resolved.
 - c. We are going to a new meeting format:
 - i. We want to start clearing as much administrative stuff as possible as quickly as possible and move on to programs and “fun stuff.”
 - ii. Starting with the March meeting it is our plan to wrap all administrative pieces up within the first thirty minutes, by 1030, or the remaining business will be tabled until the next meeting. Then we plan to move on to do programs and educational pieces starting at 1030. We think this new format will lead to the club meetings



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returning to a fun experience for all.

Motion to adopt officer recommendation for administrative presentations in first thirty minutes of meeting, table all remaining until next meeting, by Danial Beard, second by Rick Leonhardt; motion passed.

- d. Last meeting Danial Beard asked for time to address the group. After talking with Phillip in the interim he asked that we allow him to yield his time to Phillip so that he can give us an update on the governance document update he has undertaken.
5. Recognize any other officer with prearranged remarks (if any). – Phillip Beall gave some remarks. He:
 - a. Reiterated the officer's appreciation for the effort Sandi Boyd has put into keeping our finances in order. He further expressed the sentiment that officers are unanimous in wishing that Sandi reconsider, but lacking that we will be seeking candidates to fill her unexpired term.
 - b. Reiterated that the officers, all of them, were in agreement with the manner in which the NCTC situation was closed out and asked everyone to support the officers in that regard. If you have a question reference NCTC please direct them to us.

Program:

1. Phillip Beall gave an update on the governance documents update project.
 - a. Courthouse technical difficulties eliminated use of the slide presentation so he just talked the group through the presentation. Although it is only seven pages long, the prepared PowerPoint has been converted to a PDF and you can [click here](#) to download and look at that slide package.
 - b. He also pointed out that for the benefit of those that were not present for the previous governance document update presentation, that twenty-nine page PowerPoint too has been converted to a PDF to reduce its size and make it an easier download. Please [click here](#) to take a look at that slide show.

Old Business:

1. Addressing previous tasking reference club hardware and WiFi hotspots:
 - a. Randy Holland has an updated list of club hardware.
 - b. Leo Salas has an updated list of WiFi hotspots.
2. Secretary's Report:
 - a. Phillip Beall stated the draft meeting minutes were emailed to the membership and only one correction was pointed out, the omission of new member Chris Teague (WB8YPO)



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from the courtesy call sign list attached at the end of the meeting minutes. That omission having been fixed the minutes were up for approval.

Motion to accept the minutes emailed to the membership by Danial Beard, second by Ronnie Rumsey; motion passed.

- b. At the last meeting Phillip was tasked with looking into hardware insurance. ARRL has low cost insurance available to clubs. The cost is \$1.40 per \$100 of replacement cost value (minimum premium is \$20). They give as an example, if the replacement value of the equipment is \$2,000, the annual premium is \$28.
- c. It has been pointed out that we have overlooked recognizing guests at some recent meetings. We now have added a note to make sure and do that to the flow chart we started using to run the meetings beginning today.
- d. Fall Lions Club/fair organizational support (**Mark it on your calendar now! – Fall Fair Wednesday-Saturday and Sunday afternoon clean up September 23-27.**) – Deceased former Lion's Club member Paul Denny's giant form for fair duty – This form has been secured in electronic format. Input has been sought from several people, so far with limited feedback. The form can be viewed if [you click here](#). The plan is for that giant sign up sheet to start showing up at the March meeting. **If you have input to make, please make it!**
- e. There is an ongoing website review. Phillip explained that he has been working with Leo Salas and Rick Leonhardt to explore options for updating the entire site. That involves working through the details of what will be required to bring it up to current standards, enhance both its security and its functionality in the process.

3. Treasurer's Report:

Motion to postpone the Treasurer's report to the next meeting by Rick Leonhardt, seconded by Danial Beard; motion passed.

New Business:

1. Jerry Keisler:

- a. Reminded the group that on Thursday nights there is a Linux user group/programming class at 7PM at the Graham St Baptist Church (514 Graham St, Paris, TX 75460).
- b. March 7 testing at 10AM.
- c. Reminded the group that we only have the March, April and May meetings to prepare for Field Day in June and Tour d Paris in July. **Mark them on your calendar now: Field Day is June 27-28 and Tour de Paris is July 18.**
 1. Charles Penry will be slated to do a logging demonstration/presentation during at least one of those upcoming meetings.
 2. We will need to start getting volunteers signed up for *Tour de Paris*. *Tour de Paris* rally is on July 18th and our participation is from 0700-1500. Club



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participants can volunteer for as much or as little as they wish. Jobs range from working at the EOC taking radio calls for support from those in the field to driving supplies to replenishment stations to simply monitoring bicycle traffic to ensure medics are called if someone is injured.

- d. Pre-meeting breakfast – Members are currently going to two places so check with those you want to meet and see where they are going:

Denny's (3040 NE Loop 286, Paris, TX 75460)

Aunt Mary's Cafe (formerly Nancy's) (329 N Main St, Paris, TX 75460)

- e. Large (very large) RRVARC patches are available for \$12.

- 4. Drawing: T. Wayne Moore won \$10 in the drawing and donated it back to the club.

Closing:

The meeting was adjourned by Steven Davoust without objection.

Ongoing Meeting Minutes Distribution:

Need help with something? Darrell & Kristy Hancock and Johnny Thomas have a standing offer to help out. If you are a new ham or have new gear and would like some help, please email or call. Contact info: Darrell (kg5pin@yahoo.com) or Kristy (kg5sim@yahoo.com) or call (cell: 903.401.2712) and Johnny Thomas (jnyann@1starnet.com) or call (cell: 903.609.5230).

In addition to generally reviewing the minutes, if anyone with a keen eye notices any mistakes in the list attached at the end, including in the order of arrangement, please email (phillipbeall@beallz.net) and let me know. Thanks - Phillip



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WB5RDD* Call Sign List

This list is to help people to know who they are speaking with and it is manually updated. New club members are added when they join the RRVARC and former club members are only occasionally removed. For example when the list is too long to fit on a single page. If your info is missing or incorrect please write Phillip Beall at phillipbeall@beallz.net.

AF5WO	Thomas	H.	Sorensen
K5KEY	Melvin	(Mel)	Toye
KA5LEK	Ronnie	D.	Rumsey
KB5KBE	Zogail		Smith
KB5TMY	Jack	E.	Roberts
KB5TZN	Dale	L.	Loughmiller
KB7JZI	Danial		Beard
KB9EQ	Alan	D.	Ruehl
KB9UCC	Norman (Norm)	S.	Haase
KC0OOX	Roger Blaine	A.	Bullock, Jr.
KC5KOH	T.	(Wayne)	Moore
KD5CCB	Cindy		Penry
KD5RWY	John	E.	Bonnette
KE5FRQ	Terry	E.	Haneke
KE5JPM	Thresa	J.	Salas
KE5TGX	Jeremy	Allan	Johnson
KF5HKI	Jeffrey	S.	Johnson
KF5KXS	Rick		Leonhardt
KF5PNJ	Henry	J.	Blackmon
KF5PVV	Lonnie		Boyd
KF5PVW	Sandra (Sandi)	F.	Boyd
KF5ZMA	Chase		Smallwood
KG5DXT	Frank	L.	Perras
KG5DXU	Marian	(Sue)	Perras
KG5LRU	Joshua	Gregory	Imhoff
KG5PIN	Darrell	G.	Hancock
KG5SIM	Kristy		Hancock
KG5VK	Steven	Lott	Smith

KG5WLA	Norman	S.	Hasse
KG5YWO	Vicki	L.	Ross
KG5YWT	John		Bennett
KI5AYL	Norm	L.	Smith, Jr.
KI5AYM	Liza	J.	Smith
KI5BAK	Joshua	A.	Smith
KI5BNE	Jesse		Hembree
KI5CMP	Brittany		Smallwood
KI5DX	Richard		Lenoir
KI5FDH	Weldon	H.	Riley, Jr.
KI5GFM	John		Griffith
N5DDS	James	Randall (Randy)	Holland
N5JEP	Leo	E.	Salas
N5KCH	Harry	(Steven)	Davoust
N7HCR	Larry		LaMaack
NV7Z	George	F.	Haneke
W5EBC	Phillip	S.	Beall
W5KJC	Kelly	John	Collins
W5WON	Kathy		Beall
W8LAT	Larry	A.	Thompson
W9LEO	Leo	J.	Deckelmann Sr.
WA5KZA	Jerry	E.	Keisler
WA5QEC	Jim	Ed	Clark
WA5VHU	Charles		Penry
WB5JT	Johnny	M.	Thomas
WB5KWK	Mike	R.	Rice
WB8YPO	Chris		Teague
WD5FGW	Patricia	L. (Pat)	Keisler

*May include former members.